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# ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

## DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

### NEWS RELEASE



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#### **SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON PURSE SEINE FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT**

Sitka. . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today that the following areas will be open to purse seining during the times and in the areas listed below.

##### District 1

The following area will be open to purse seining from **6:00 a.m., Monday, August 28, through 9:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 29, 2017:**

Section 1-F: will be open south of a line from the southernmost tip of Cone Point at 55°14.45' N. latitude, 131°18.90' W. longitude to the northernmost tip of Harbor Point to Point Davison Light then due west to the District 2 boundary with the following restriction:

Boca de Quadra: will be closed east of a line from Quadra Point to Kah Shakes Point.

##### District 3

The following areas will be open to purse seining from **6:00 a.m., Monday, August 28, through 9:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 29, 2017:**

Section 3-A: will be open south of the northernmost tip of Round Point at 55°07.63' N. latitude with the following restrictions:

Dall Island Shore: will be closed west of a line from the southernmost tip of Reef Point at 55°03.62' N. latitude, 132°58.33' W. longitude to Shoe Island Light to the westernmost tip of Datzkoo Point at 54°43.80' N. latitude, 132°41.83' W. longitude;

Hassiah Inlet and Mabel Bay: will be closed east of 132°35.00' W. longitude and south of the northernmost tip of Helen Island;

Kassa Inlet: will be closed east of Kassa Point at 132°31.62' W. longitude;

Klakas Inlet: will be closed north of 54°57.20' N. latitude at the southernmost entrance to Max Cove;

Max Cove: all waters will be closed;

Nutkwa Inlet: will be closed north of the northernmost tip of Nutkwa Point located at 55°04.28' N. latitude.

Section 3-B: will be open west of a line from the southernmost tip of Point Desconocida located at 55°41.64' N. latitude, 133°31.71' W. longitude to the northernmost tip of St. Philip Island at 55°39.31' N. latitude, 133°25.16' W. longitude to the northernmost tip of Blanquizal Point at 55°37.36' N. latitude, 133°23.86' W. longitude to the southernmost tip of Blanquizal Point at 55°37.10' N. latitude, 133°23.23' W. longitude to the northernmost tip of Point Santa Rosalia to **the northernmost tip of Tranquil Point at 55°23.00' N. latitude, 133°13.46' W. longitude** with the following restriction:

**Ulloa Channel: will be closed south of a line from the northernmost tip of Point Cangrejo at 55°20.81' N. latitude, 133°21.42' W. longitude to the westernmost tip of Point Providence at 55°21.52' N. latitude, 133°16.20' W. longitude.**

Section 3-C: **will be closed.**

#### District 4

The following area will be open to purse seining from **6:00 a.m., Monday, August 28, through 9:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 29, 2017:**

District 4: will be open.

#### District 5

The following area will be open to purse seining from **6:00 a.m., Monday, August 28, through 9:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 29, 2017:**

District 5: will be open south of a line from Point Amelius to the westernmost Barrier Island then due east to Prince of Wales Island and north of a line from Cape Decision to Cape Pole (all waters of Affleck Canal will be open to normal markers).

#### District 7

Section 7-B: **will be closed.**

#### District 9

The following areas will be open to purse seining from **6:00 a.m., Monday, August 28, through 9:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 29, 2017:**

**Section 9-A: will be open north of 56°50.29' N. latitude (the southern entrance to Red Bluff Bay) with the following restriction:**

**Red Bluff Bay: will be closed west of 134°43.28' W. longitude.**

Section 9-B: will be open with the following restrictions:

Eliza Harbor: will be closed north of a line from Sharp Point to Deepwater Point;

Murder Cove: will be closed north of a line from Bartlett Point to the southernmost tip of Carroll Island;

Keku Strait and Port Camden: will be closed south of a line from Cornwallis Point Light to Point Macartney Light;

Gedney Harbor: will be closed east of a line from Swaine Point to Point Cosmos;

Rowan Bay: will be closed east of a line from 56°39.10' N. latitude, 134°16.62' W. longitude to 56°39.47' N. latitude, 134°17.25' W. longitude;

Bay of Pillars: will be closed east of a line from Point Ellis to Point Ellis Light to a point between Rowan Bay and Bay of Pillars at 56°37.42' N. latitude, 134°16.62' W. longitude.

## District 12

The following area will be open to purse seining from **6:00 a.m., Monday, August 28, through 9:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 29, 2017:**

Section 12-A: will be open in the following areas:

**Baranof Island, Catherine Island and the Hidden Falls THA: will be open within 1 nautical mile of the Section 13-C boundary, Baranof Island, and Catherine Island south of Point Hayes with the following restrictions:**

**Kelp Bay: will be closed west of a line from Point Lull to South Point;**

**Kasnyku Bay: will be closed west of a line from North Point to 57°12.49' N. latitude, 136°50.92' W. longitude.**

Point Augusta: will be open within 2 nautical miles from the Chichagof Island shoreline and north of a regulatory marker at 58°01.63' N. latitude (located 1 nautical mile south of Point Augusta Light);

Chichagof Island: will be open within 2 nautical miles of the Chichagof Island shoreline south of East Point at 57°48.33' N. latitude and north of Point Hayes, including the waters of Tenakee Inlet;

Admiralty Island shoreline: will be open within 2 nautical miles of the Admiralty Island shoreline south of the latitude of Point Couverden at 58°11.39' N. latitude and north of Parker Point at 57°36.73' N. latitude, and south of the latitude of Point Samuel (Hood Bay, Chaik Bay, Whitewater Bay, and Wilson Cove to normal markers).

## District 13

The following areas will be open to purse seining from **6:00 a.m., Monday, August 28, through 9:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 29, 2017:**

Section 13-A: will be open in the following areas:

Lisianski Inlet and Lisianski Strait: will be open south of a line from the northernmost tip of Soapstone Point to the westernmost tip of Column Point and in Lisianski Strait north of the latitude of Point Theodore with the following restrictions:

Stag Bay: will be closed southeast of a line from 57°55.00' N. latitude, 136°18.28' W. longitude to 57°54.79' N. latitude, 136°18.79' W. longitude;

Lisianski Inlet: will be closed south of 57°52.68' N. latitude **except that south of 57°52.68' N. latitude will be open with no restrictions in effect from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Monday, August 28, 2017 (all freshwaters and stream channels remain closed).**

Portlock Harbor, Ogden Passage, Smooth Channel, Khaz Bay, Lake Anna, Sisters Lake, and Slocum Arm: will be open east of a line from Khaz Point to Ninefoot Shoal Light to the southernmost tip of Herbert Graves Island to Point Hogan to the light located on the southern tip of Hill Island and then due north to the Chichagof Island shoreline with the following restrictions:

Ford Arm: **normal markers**;

Klag Bay: will be closed north of Rose Point;

Sister Lake: will be closed east of a line from 57°38.11' N. latitude, 136°00.36' W. longitude to 57°37.58' N. latitude, 136°00.00' W. longitude **except that no restrictions will be in effect from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Monday, August 28, 2017 (all freshwaters and stream channels remain closed);**

Black Bay: will be closed east of 136°08.01' W. longitude **except that no restrictions will be in effect from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Monday, August 28, 2017 (all freshwaters and stream channels remain closed);**

Goulding Harbor: will be closed east of 136°14.17' W. longitude **except that no restrictions will be in effect from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Monday, August 28, 2017 (all freshwaters and stream channels remain closed).**

Salisbury Sound and Peril Strait: will be open east of the longitude of Kalinin Point with the following restrictions:

St. John Baptist Bay: will be closed east of the longitude of Zeal Point;

Sukoi Inlet: will be closed south of a line from Hayward Point to Sukoi Point;

Fish Bay: will be closed east of 135°35.16' W. longitude.

Section 13-B: will be open in the following areas:

Sitka Sound and contiguous waters: **will be closed.**

Whale Bay: will be open east of 135°03.00' W. longitude with the following restrictions:

Small Arm: will be closed north of 56°38.30' N. latitude (entrance of Small Arm);

Great Arm: will be closed north of 56°41.10' N. latitude.

#### District 14

The following area will be open to purse seining from **6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Monday, August 28, 2017:**

Section 14-C: will be open in the following area:

Excursion Inlet and contiguous waters: will be open in those waters north of the northernmost tip of the Porpoise Islands at 58°20.68' N. latitude and south of Sawmill Point at 58°27.12' N. latitude, including the waters of Sawmill Bay.

The following areas will be open to purse seining from **6:00 a.m., Monday, August 28, through 9:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 29, 2017:**

Section 14-A: **will be closed.**

Section 14-B: will be open south of the latitude of Crist Point.

Section 14-C: will be open within 2 nautical miles of the Chichagof Island shoreline.

**King Salmon Landing Restrictions: For all Southeast Alaska waters, king salmon 28 inches or greater in length MAY NOT be retained and sold.** King salmon greater than 21 inches and less than 28 inches may be retained but not sold. King salmon 21 inches or less may be retained and sold.

The next seine announcement will be issued on **Wednesday, August 30, 2017.**

Copies of the “2017 Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Fishery Management Plan” may be obtained at department area offices listed below and can be downloaded on the department’s website at:  
[http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareasoutheast.salmon\\_managementplans](http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareasoutheast.salmon_managementplans).

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## Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Harvest Estimates

## Statistical Week 34

Preliminary Estimates Compiled August 26, 2017 for mid-week opening.

Area	NUMBERS OF SALMON						Boats
	King	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	
District 1	0	2,500	2,000	170,000	3,000	177,500	32
District 3	0	2,000	2,000	550,000	13,000	567,000	50
District 4	0	7,000	1,000	270,000	5,000	283,000	25
District 7	0	500	400	70,000	2,000	72,900	13
Section 9-B	0	250	600	75,000	2,500	78,350	10
Point Augusta/Whitestone	0	500	2,800	158,000	4,100	165,400	9
Tenakee/Basket Bay	0	200	600	52,000	2,200	55,000	4
W. Admiralty shore	0	2,500	5,900	303,000	9,000	320,400	21
SW Admiralty shore	0	100	300	24,000	1,200	25,600	3
Section 13-A	0	300	400	432,000	6,000	438,700	29
Section 13-B	0	50	600	34,000	44,000	78,650	40
Excursion Inlet	0	100	150	9,700	14,000	23,950	9
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>16,000</b>	<b>16,750</b>	<b>2,147,700</b>	<b>106,000</b>	<b>2,286,450</b>	<b>245</b>

Area	FISH PER BOAT					
	King	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total
District 1	0	78	63	5,313	94	5,547
District 3	0	40	40	11,000	260	11,340
District 4	0	280	40	10,800	200	11,320
District 7	0	38	31	5,385	154	5,608
Section 9-B	0	25	60	7,500	250	7,835
Point Augusta/Whitestone	0	56	311	17,556	456	18,378
Tenakee/Basket Bay	0	50	150	13,000	550	13,750
W. Admiralty shore	0	119	281	14,429	429	15,257
SW Admiralty shore	0	33	100	8,000	400	8,533
Section 13-A	0	10	14	14,897	207	15,128
Section 13-B	0	1	15	850	1,100	1,966
Excursion Inlet	0	11	17	1,078	1,556	2,661

Confidential: District 5.